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OAK GROVE RESIDENTS INDICTED ON METH, FIREARM CHARGES

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that an Oak Grove, Mo., man and woman were indicted by a federal grand jury today on methamphetamine and firearm charges.

Jason G. Rice, 21, and **Krystal A. Doult**, 23, both of Oak Grove, were charged in a four-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Rice** conspired to distribute five grams or more of methamphetamine between April 1, 2003, and April 4, 2004.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Rice** possessed with intent to distribute five grams or more of methamphetamine on April 4, 2004.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Rice** and **Doult**, aiding and abetting each other, illegally possessed a firearm. The indictment alleges that **Rice** and **Doult** were unlawful users of a controlled substance while also in possession of a Taurus 9 mm pistol on April 4, 2004. Under federal statutes, Graves explained, it is illegal for any unlawful user of a controlled substance to be in possession of a firearm.

Count Four of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Rice** to forfeit any proceeds derived as a result of the conspiracy, including approximately \$1,089 seized on July 1, 2003, \$3,077 seized on Dec. 29, 2003, and \$3,870 seized on April 4, 2004.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kate Mahoney. The case was investigated by the Independence, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,

Firearms and Explosives.

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